inventive concept under PCT Rule 13.1.

The species are as follows:

Group I, Figs. 1-3 and 5

Group II, Fig. 6

Group III, Fig. 7 and Fig 8

Applicant is required, in reply to this action to elect a single species to which the claims shall be restricted.

## Additionally the Examiner indicates:

The claims are deemed to correspond to the species listed above in the following manner:

Group I, Figs. 1-3 and 5; claims 1-4, 7-12, 15, and 16.

Group II, Fig. 6; claims 1-4, 6-12, 14, 15, and 16.

Group III, Fig. 7 and Fig 8; claims 1-5, 7-13, 15 and 16.

There are generic claims. Claims 1-4, 7-12, 15 and 16 are the generic claims.

The species listed above do not relate to a single general inventive concept under PCT Rule 13.1 because, under PCT Rule 13.2, they lack the same or corresponding special technical features for the following reasons:

Group I and Group III lack the special technical feature of having a light source disposed inside the fixing member of Group II.

Group I and Group II lack the special technical feature of having a condensing unit disposed inside between the light source at the fixing member of Group III.

Group II and III lack the special technical feature of having a light source for irradiating light for fixation and a fixing member for transmitting the light for fixation of Group I.

## PROVISIONAL ELECTION

Applicant provisionally elects the species Group I corresponding with Figs. 1-3 and 5 and claims 1-4, 7-12, 15, and 16, without traverse.

Applicant notes that upon allowance of a generic claim, Applicant will be entitled to consideration of claims to additional species which are written in dependent form or otherwise include all the limitations of an allowed generic claim as provided by 37 C.F.R. § 1.141

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## **CONCLUSION**

Having made the required election, examination on the merits is earnestly solicited. Should the Examiner deem that any further action by Applicant's undersigned representative is desirable and/or necessary, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number set forth below.

In the event this paper is not timely filed, Applicant petitions for an appropriate extension of time. Please charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 14-0112.

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